



WYE VALLEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the monthly meeting held on Monday 28th July 2025 at 7.00pm in Tintern Village Hall.

Present: Cllrs Ashman (Chair), Evans, Shewell, Mawdsley, Parker
County Councillor: Ann Webb

Clerk: Jacob Richards-Powell

3953. **Apologies for absence:** Cllrs Snell and Morrison

3954. **Declarations of interest for items on the agenda:** None

3955. **Police Reports:** Not received.

3956. **Report from the County Councillor:**

- Significant renovation works taking place at Neville Hall Hospital due to be complete in 2027-2028. This will include enhanced cancer treatment facilities reducing the number of patients attending Cardiff hospitals. 15/08/2025 – consultations ongoing
- Hedge cutting on A and B roads underway.
- Overhanging trees on valley road (North) due to be cut.
- Meeting Friday 1 Aug to discuss a planning matter in Llandogo
- Consultant Report on National Landscapes Tracks and Trails have not been made available. Action: CC to look into this.

3957. **Public Session:** No members present

3958. **Minutes of previous meetings:** Accepted with minor edit to 3949 and signed

3959. **Matters arising from previous minutes:** None

3960. **Matters Arising from Minutes:-**

- culvert at Fryer's Wharf, Tintern – Agenda Item 3966

3961. **Planning Applications:** None Received

3962. **Financial Report:**

Charitable A/C £4,652.19, BMM A/C £28,318.26. Amount spent to date £5,684.

3963. **Application for Tintern Churchyards Maintenance Grant:**

£500 for two churchyards (£1,000 total) Cllr Shewell Proposed pay the grants, Seconded Cllr Evans, Cllr Mawdsley raised concerns that a clear budget was not provided, a working budget to be requested for next year.

3964. **Application for Llandogo Churchyard Maintenance Grant**

– after consideration of the application it was **Agreed** that this grant would be paid

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3965 **Accounts for payment: -**

- St Michael's Church, Tintern PCC - Churchyards Grant- £1,000 (Ch. No. 300629)
- Llandogo PCC - Churchyard Grant - £500.00 (Ch. No. 300630)
- Merlin Environmental Services Ltd - £133.78 (Ch. No. 300631)
- Audit Wales – External Audit - £200.00 (Ch. No. 300632)
- SLCC Membership Renewal - £101.00 (Ch. No. 300633)
- Llandogo Memorial Green Grass Cutting & maintenance- £150.00 (Ch. No. 300634)
- Richard McKeand - Defibrillator Pads for Llandogo - £67.00 (Ch. No. 300635)
- Clerk's Salary & Expenses - £436.62 (Ch. No. 300636)

All approved for payment.

3966. **Reports re Repair work to Culvert at Fryers Wharf**

Cllr Ashman has established that the retaining wall and a sliver of land belongs to WVCC. Cllr Shewell Proposed that the matter is referred to insurance to open a claim as soon as possible. Seconded by Stephen Evans. **Agreed.**

3967. **Provision of Equipment to new Clerk**

It was **Noted** that the current Council laptop was outdated and of limited value, it was **Agreed:**

1. MCC would be asked if they could assist with wiping the hard drive before disposal
2. **Purchase of new laptop of suitable specification with appropriate software. Up to a value of £500**
3. **Provision of telephone for the Council would be by purchase of a setup of SIM card for the Clerk's handset approx. £10 per month**

3968 **Reports from Sub-Committees:**

- Finance – Not yet held. Scheduled for 29th September 2025 5:30pm.

3969. Reports from Councillors:

- the resident of unauthorised caravan on the A466 is putting out refuse which is being collected.
- OVW representative: Annual tour 26th September for interested Councillors & Clerks.
- Royal George: contractors and deliveries parking issues, Owners have apologised and have issued warnings to staff and contractors only to park in the designated places.
- Complaints received about pavement quality from Dead Man's Corner (A466) into Tintern. This has been reported to MCC.
- Clerk to write to MCC Building Control regarding Rosedale Llandogo concerning dilapidated outbuilding alongside the A466 and debris falling into the highway
- Wye Valley Climate Action Network. CAN is running events/open days and free bus rides on 65 and 69 buses

3970 **Other reports/Outside Bodies -**

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- Schools – **The deputy head teacher will be taking on the role of Executive Head Teacher from September.**
- Tintern Church – **Negotiations underway for extension of Churchyard.**
- Llandogo Church – **Service every Sunday from 9:30am. Twice a month communion service and others are lay lead.**
- Village Halls
 - **Llandogo Village hall** – Llandogo VPA Annual Show 24 August, Film Night 19 September,
Race Night Fundraiser 11 October
 - Tintern Village Hall - Garden Club Annual Show on August 2nd, the agreed Contractor will carry out manhole works as soon as convenient
 - The wall to the entrance of the carpark has been damaged, presumably struck by a vehicle.

3971 **Correspondence:** financial statement, agenda, salary calculations, NALC 2025 pay scale, application form and supporting documents. Invoices,

3972 **Urgent matters/items for next Agenda at Chair's discretion:**
This being the last meeting to be attended by Mrs Greatorex-Davies, she has handed over to the new Clerk Chair and Councillors thanked her for her long service as Clerk and presented a certificate of service. A social event to mark the occasion to be arranged as soon as possible

3971. **Date of next meeting:** 18th August 2025.

Meeting closed at 2058